

**Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission  
Committee of the Whole  
Wednesday October 15, 2014  
Crown Roller Mill**

**Unapproved Minutes**

**Commissioners Present:** Jeffrey Strand, Matthew Dobratz, David Zaffrann, Ishmael Israel, Eric Gustafson, Doron Clark, Maleta Kimmons, Carlo Pass, Debra Behrens,

**Staff Present:** David Rubedor, Cheyenne Brodeen, Howard Blin

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM.

**1. Approve Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

**2. Approve Minutes of September 10, 2014 Committee of the Whole Meeting**

The minutes were approved.

**3. 2015 Budget**

Rubedor provided an overview of the proposed 2015 budget including the proposed uses of revenues from the Consolidated TIF District. Committee members discussed the expansion of the use of TIF revenues for purposes beyond the Community Participation Program, neighborhood support, and NCR operating costs. The Committee discussed the reported \$16 million in unspent neighborhood funding. It was noted that much of this funding is either funding which is program revenue, part of revolving loan programs or has been programmed for projects but not yet contracted.

The Committee discussed how neighborhood organizations should be notified of the change in use of the TIF funds. This included whether the NCR or the NCEC should convene a meeting to provide information on the budget.

**4. Strategic Planning**

Dobratz gave a brief update and stated that one conference call has taken place. Further updates will be given as information is available.

**5. Blueprint for Equitable Engagement**

Rubedor took notes on a flip chart as the Committee discussed overarching themes that were overheard at the focus groups.

Rubedor mentioned that the renter's focus group will be rescheduled due to lack of attendance.

Rubedor and Commissioners Gustafson, Lewis and McKnight will compile the information together for the next CoW meeting.

Additional themes can be sent to Rubedor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Submitted by Howard Blin, Cheyenne Brodeen